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ORDINANCE 180

Homeowners Tax Credit

SEP 11 | 7:00 pm | Council Chamber

The Town Council will hold a public hearing with the adoption of ORD 180. The Ordinance allows a 10% tax credit against the Town's real property tax for homeowners earning less than \$60,000 per year in gross household income. The Town's tax credit is based on State of Maryland Homeowners Tax Credit program and eligibility criteria.

Contact Town Manager Broadbent with any questions mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov

WALKABLE, BIKEABLE BERWYN HEIGHTS TASK FORCE

Needs a few more members. If interested, please contact Councilmember Dewey at adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov.



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LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS

At August 14 Town Meeting

- **ORD 179—2nd Reading & Adoption of Comprehensive Fee & Fine Schedule:** Combines fee and fine schedules embedded or attached to various Town ordinances into one document. Requires review and public hearing of fees and fines as part of the annual budget process.
- **ORD 180—1st Reading & Introduction of Homeowners Tax Credit Program:** Allows 10% tax credit against Town real property tax for homeowners earning less than \$60,000 per year in gross household income. Based on State of Maryland Homeowners Tax Credit program and eligibility criteria.
- **Resolution 14-2019—Renewal of Seniors Club MOU:** Renews Town's agreement with the Seniors Club for use of 1st floor of Town Center facility. The term is 3 years with two optional 1-year extensions.
- **Resolution 15-2019—'Walkable, Bikeable Berwyn Heights Task Force:** Establishes 11 to 12 member task force to develop a plan to make Berwyn Heights more pedestrian and bicycle friendly.
- **Resolution 16-2019—Purchase of Refuse Vehicle:** Authorizes the purchase of a new 29 cubic yard refuse truck with cart tip-pers at a cost of \$187,400.
- **Resolution 17-2016—Purchase of Pickup Truck:** Authorizes the purchase of a new 1-ton extended cab pickup truck with snow plow and salt spreader at a cost of \$39,300.
- **Resolution 18-2019—Road Resurfacing Contract:** Awards contract for Part II of the Town's road repair project to VMP Construction, Inc. of Lanham, MD budgeted at \$224,000.

For Additional Information

Please contact Town Manager Broadbent at mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov

Join the Education Advisory Committee



Monday, SEP. 23

7pm | G. Love Room

The BHEAC is a Town Committee dedicated to supporting and strengthening the schools that serve the residents of Berwyn Heights by:

- Informing residents and the Town Council about educational issues and opportunities;
- Cultivating links with PGCPSS administrators and the School Board;
- Liaising with neighboring cities' Education Advisory Committees; and
- Promoting community involvement in local schools.

All Residents Are Welcome

Please contact Joanna Whitaker for more information, at joannaswhitaker@gmail.com

Únete al Comité Asesor de Educación

Lunes 23 de Septiembre | 7:00 pm

G. Love Sala, 5700 Berwyn Road

El BHEAC es un Comité de la Ciudad dedicado a apoyar y fortalecer las escuelas que sirven a los residentes de Berwyn Heights mediante:

- Informar a los residentes y al Ayuntamiento sobre temas y oportunidades educativas;
- Cultivar vínculos con los administradores de PGCPSS y la Junta Escolar;
- Enlace con los comités consultivos de educación de las ciudades vecinas; y
- Promover la participación de la comunidad en las escuelas locales.

Todos los residentes son bienvenidos

Póngase en contacto con Joanna Whitaker para obtener más información, en

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WHAT IS THE LAW?



When Approaching a School Bus

Be Prepared to Stop. Flashing yellow lights on the bus are activated 100 to 300 feet prior to the bus stopping to load and unload children.

You Must Stop and Remain Stopped when the red lights flash. Drivers should not proceed until the flashing red lights are turned off and the bus begins to move.

Be mindful of blind spots that exist for buses and students during loading and unloading.

Violation of the stop rules can cost you **\$570** and three points on your driving record, if you are stopped by an officer.

Que Es La Ley?

Al acercarse a un autobús escolar

Prepárese para parar. Las luces amarillas intermitentes en el autobús se activan de 100 a 300 pies antes de que el autobús se detenga para cargar y descargar a los niños.

Debe detenerse y permanecer detenido cuando las luces rojas parpadeen. Los conductores no deben continuar hasta que las luces rojas parpadeantes estén apagadas y el autobús comience a moverse.

Tenga en cuenta los puntos ciegos que existen para los autobuses y los estudiantes durante la carga y descarga.

La violación de las reglas de detención puede costarle \$570 y tres puntos en su registro de manejo, si un oficial lo detiene.

BERWYN HEIGHTS SHADE TREE BOARD

Fall is a great time to plant trees, so consider planting a native tree in your yard in the coming months. Maryland offers \$25 coupons toward the purchase of a new tree. Visit dnr.maryland.gov and search for “Marylanders Plant Trees” for details.

Mature shade trees save energy, provide habitat for wild life, clean air, and improve property values.

The Berwyn Heights Shade Tree Board is appointed by the Mayor and Council, and works to protect and maintain our urban forest. The Shade Tree Board meets in the G. Love Room during Green Team meetings,

For more Information please contact:
adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov.



NEXT MEETING

THURSDAY, SEP. 12, 7:00 PM

G. LOVE ROOM



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

MEETING: September 4 | 7:00 pm

CHAIR: Mike Attick, Tel. 301-335-1633

National Heatstroke Prevention Day

National Heatstroke Prevention Day was July 31, 2019. Please don't leave children in hot cars.

On average, every 10 days a child dies from heatstroke in a vehicle. In more than half of these deaths, the caregiver forgot the child was in the car. A [car can heat up to 119 degrees](#) in just 10 minutes, and cracking a window doesn't help. Young children are particularly at risk, as their bodies heat up three to five times faster than adults.

The Berwyn Heights Police and Volunteer Fire Dept., in a nationwide effort to reduce the number of deaths from heatstroke, is encouraging residents to remember to ACT.

Avoid heatstroke-related injury and death by never leaving a child alone in a car, not even for a minute. Make sure to keep your car locked when you're not inside so kids don't get in on their own.

Create reminders. Keep a stuffed animal or other memento in your child's car seat when it's empty, and move it to the front seat as a visual reminder when your child is in the back seat. You can also place your phone, briefcase or purse in the backseat when traveling with your child.

Take action. If you see a child alone in a car, call 911. Emergency personnel want you to call and they are trained to respond to these situations

More information about heatstroke prevention see the following websites:
www.safekids.org, www.kidsandcars.org, www.nhtsa.gov/campaign/child-safety,
www.safercar.gov, www.acf.hhs.gov



The Berwyn Heights Rec. Council

Coming Soon:

Thursday, September 19th, 6:30-8:30pm
Ice Cream Social at the Town Center

Come socialize with neighbors & enjoy some free ice cream at this all ages event! (some lactose free ice cream will be available)



Saturday, October 19th
Trunk Or Treat at the Community Center
Lower Lot (rain date Sat. 10/26)

Decorate your car for chance at a prize, and bring the kids to enjoy this Spooktacular event! Costume contest for children 12 & under, s'mores, telescope demonstration & more!



More to come:

Sunday, November 3rd—Free Bluegrass Concert



Saturday, December 7th—Christmas Tree Lighting Party



We meet the first Tuesday of each month, at 7:30pm in the G. Love Room, in the Senior Center. New members, or even drop in members, are always welcome. If you'd like to make a suggestion or ask a question but can't make it to our meetings, email Susan at violindreams@verizon.net

Next Meetings: Tue. 9/3 & Tue. 10/1

A new "Movie Club" is forming in Town! Watch a movie & discuss with your fellow Movie Enthusiasts. Tentative meetings will be Thursday nights in the Upstairs Room of the Town Center.

More information to follow.

Worksession July 1, 2019

Present were Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, presiding, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Ethan Sweep, and Jeffrey Jay Osmond. Mayor Stephen Isler had an excused absence. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Clerk Kerstin Harper and citizens.

1. Announcements

Mayor Isler is away on vacation and MPT Papanikolas will be serving as acting Mayor. Town offices will be closed on Thursday, Independence Day, as well as on July 5 and July 12.

2. Discussion Items

All in one fee & fine schedule: TM Broadbent said the Council discussed the comprehensive fee & fine schedule and the accompanying ordinance and resolution at its last worksession. The comprehensive fee and fine schedule will consolidate current fee and fine schedules attached to or embedded in various ordinances into one document. No fee and fine amounts were changed. The only new requirement is the annual review and public hearing of all fees and fines during the budget process.

TM Broadbent noted that the Town just issued its first commercial building permit in the amount of \$1,500 to McDonald's Corporation, which is rebuilding its restaurant on Greenbelt Road. A demolition permit will also be forthcoming. The Town will require a contact who is available around the clock to respond to any problems with this project.

MML convention debrief: MPT Papanikolas said the Council attended the annual Maryland Municipal League Convention last week. Councilmembers are requested to highlight 3 or 4 memorable items. He attended a workshop on procurement practices and found that Berwyn Heights already follows most of the recommended procedures. He enjoyed getting together with other municipal leaders and hearing their different approaches to some of the same problems faced by Berwyn Heights. He also enjoyed Tuesday's keynote address by Charles Marohn, President and Founder of Strong Towns, on the potential benefits to be reaped from the redeveloping old, sometimes blighted neighborhoods as opposed to adding new big box shopping centers on the outskirts of municipalities.

CM Sweep said two workshops stuck out for him: the first was 'Aging in Place' where he learned that it is not necessarily about growing old in one's home but find-

ing a place where one is comfortable in old age and has the resources one needs. Greenbelt has a very good aging in place program and could perhaps be approached for advice and sharing of resources. The other workshop of interest was held by Seat Pleasant about being a smart city and improving city life through data collection, where the data helps in optimizing traffic flow or preventing crime. But the presentation made no mention about possible downsides of massive data collection and potential for abuse. In his mind, the data collected to power smart cities poses a serious ethical dilemma that should be addressed.

CM Osmond said he attended mostly workshops credited towards the Academy of Excellence in Local Governance certificate. He found the 'Municipal Budgeting' and 'Bridging the Gap' workshops particularly useful. In the latter, the different roles and perspectives of elected officials and staff in municipal government were explored and important questions raised about how a Council represents its citizens and goes about making decisions.

TM Broadbent said she also attended this workshop and considers it to be very valuable because it discusses the fundamentals of serving as an elected official and common misconceptions. It was led by Katherine Tuck Parrish, her former boss in the City of Rockville and now Executive Search Director for the Novak Consulting Group. She will look into arranging for Ms. Tuck Parrish to give this presentation to the entire Council.

CM Dewey said she attended many core Academy of Excellence courses, which did not leave much time to go to other workshops she was interested in. She moderated a workshop on effective meetings and learned a lot about how other Councils structure meetings to make them more productive. The 'Municipal Budgeting' workshop left her feeling good about the budget process this Council went through this spring because it followed many of the recommended steps. She had a number of interesting conversations with local leaders, County Executive's staff and people involved in the 2020 Census. She learned that approximately 25% of Prince George's County residents were not counted in the 2010 Census, leading to a loss of an estimated \$18,000 per uncounted person in federal assistance over 10 years. One of the keys to a successful 2020 count will be coordination with the County and she has asked County staff to come to Berwyn Heights for a meeting.

MPT Papanikolas said he found a 'Future of Recycling' workshop noteworthy. The

current pessimism about the 'end of recycling' due to China no longer accepting contaminated recyclables may be misplaced. Recycling is likely to recover as domestic markets for these materials are being developed. TM Broadbent said she believes, in the future, the quality of recycling products will become more important, requiring the elimination of certain contaminants from the recycling stream, such as plastic bags and Styrofoam. MPT Papanikolas said the presenter was less optimistic about achieving zero waste because it would be very expensive, but on a positive note, refuse generated per person in the US has been flat since 1990. TM Broadbent said that many manufacturers have shifted to lighter packaging such as plastic bottles to reduce their shipping cost and ultimately disposal cost. Walmart was a leader on that front, at one point requiring all vendors to reduce their packaging by 10%.

Four Cities agenda: Attendance of Pepco's Vice President of External Affairs Jerry Pasternak was confirmed. His presentation will focus on a new initiative related to electric vehicle charging stations. CM Osmond suggested Mr. Pasternak also explain how the solar electricity generation market works and what Pepco's vision for wind energy is. Greenbelt has requested that the Director of the Department of Permitting, Inspections & Enforcement (DPIE) be invited to the meeting and the topic of school overcrowding added to the agenda.

3. Minutes

CM Dewey moved and CM Sweep seconded to approve the June 3 worksession minutes. The motion passed 4 to 0. The June 12 Town meeting minutes were distributed.

4. Department Reports

TM Broadbent said June is flood awareness month and a good time for residents to consider flood insurance. She and Director Hall had a good meeting with County officials regarding stormwater issues and measures to improve stormwater quality and reduce quantity. The County has plans to renovate the second raingarden at the Town Center and is collecting data on properties with stormwater problems. Residents are encouraged to report such problems to the Public Works Department, which will relay them to the County. In the fall, the County may hold a workshop for residents on the stormwater drainage system, for which it is responsible, and stormwater structures that may exist on private properties. Residents may be able to obtain advice on best practices

about how to deal with flooding.

TM Broadbent announced upcoming agenda items, to include a fee and fine resolution, a variance for 5708 Berwyn Road, an investment policy, tax credits, truck purchase and roadway contracts, and renewal of the Senior Center MOU. Tipplers have been installed on the Public Works trucks and the crew will be able to use them once the new recycling containers arrive.

CM Dewey congratulated the Recreation Council on a great Lake Artemesia concert. The Susan Jones Jazz Quartet attracted over 50 people despite threatening weather. Two more concerts will be held on July 18 and August 29. Tomorrow, the Recreation Council will hold its monthly meeting at 7:30 pm and welcomes anyone to join. The Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held on July 17 and those planning to go should RSVP with Yvonne Odoi in the Town office.

CM Osmond said that a new Code Director has been hired and will start work on July 8. She is the former part-time inspector Hollyce Goodwin. TM Broadbent will work with her to hire another full-time and part-time officer to get the Department fully staffed. He enjoyed the creative article about dead trees in the Bulletin, which had been composed by the Public Information Aide Tiffany Minor. Residents have continued to report maintenance problems at foreclosed properties. TM Broadbent said the process of foreclosure and resale of a vacant property must follow a process that can take between 6 months and many years to play out. In the meantime, the Town police and code officers keep a watch on these properties. Often, properties that remain vacant the longest have belonged to owners that did not have a will. CM Dewey suggested to hold a workshop about this problem

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, asked whether the Town picks up an appliance for free if it is the first appliance pickup requested. TM Broadbent said the Town code does not have such a provision and nothing has been changed in the code about appliance pickups.

6. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the Council calendar. The Green Team meeting date was confirmed for the 9th of July.

7. Citizens Discussion

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, reported several dead trees along the Indian Creek trail, one overhanging the T-Ball field. TM Broadbent said those trees are on Park & Planning property and they planning to remove them as well prune dead limbs.

Pepco will remove dead trees along Edmonston Road and replant them.

CM Osmond recalled that there used to be a mulch pile at 56th Avenue and Rutatan Street which residents could help themselves to. He suggested M-NCPPC deposit mulch from the dead trees there. TM Broadbent advised against it as those trees might be diseased.

Mr. Ventura further suggested that the Town look into buying the vacant McConnell house on Pontiac Street and turn it into a police station instead of spending money for a study on expanding the Town office to accommodate a police station. The Pontiac Street property would have enough room to park police vehicles.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

**Town Meeting
July 10, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Ethan Sweep and Jeffrey Jay Osmond. Mayor Isler had an excused absence. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Treasurer Michelle Rodriguez, Clerk Kerstin Harper, Chief Kenneth Antolik, Detective Daniel Unger, Officer Thomas Hollowell and Officer William Duck, Public Works Director Kenneth Hall, Code Director Hollyce Goodwin, BHVFD Representative Matt Huddle and citizens.

1. Approval of Agenda

CM Dewey moved and CM Sweep seconded to approve the agenda. The motion passed 4 to 0.

2. Proclamations

CI-5 Congratulations to Boys & Girls Club Soccer Teams: MPT Papanikolas welcomed members of the Boys & Girls Club who were present, including the Treasurer Sandra Zuniga, the Registrar Tiffany Papanikolas, and U-15 Coach Agustin Zuniga. He said the Berwyn Heights Boys & Girls Club has a long history in this community and many residents have played in or coached teams. He as well as CM Osmond have coached several sports, including T-ball, soccer and track. It is his pleasure to sponsor this Proclamation and congratulate the two soccer teams who won their divisions in the Beltway-Baltimore soccer league and the two teams who made the playoffs in the Prince George's Boys & Girls Club soccer league. He read the Proclamation and proclaimed this day as Boys & Girls Club Day in the Town of Berwyn Heights.

3. Swearing-in

CI-6 Promotion of Officers Hollowell and Duck: MPT Papanikolas performed the promotion of Officer Thomas Hollowell and William Duck from Private First Class to Corporal.

CI-7 Promotion of Detective Unger:

MPT Papanikolas performed the promotion of Detective Daniel Unger from Sergeant to Lieutenant. Chief Antolik said that Detective Unger has accumulated a lot of experience and training under his tutelage and passed a rigorous 3-hour test by a 4-person panel of police chiefs and detectives to earn this promotion. He congratulated Detective Unger.

Detective Unger said the tests were challenging but by drawing on his long experience as an officer he was able to get through it. His new rank will not change his dedication to the Town. He will continue to do what he can to keep the Town safe.

On a motion by CM Sweep, seconded by CM Dewey, the Council took a 5-minute recess.

4. Approval of Minutes

CM Dewey moved and CM Sweep seconded to approve the June Town meeting minutes. The motion passed 4 to 0.

5. Mayor's Report

MPT Papanikolas said the Council in its first year in office used its best judgment to promote the well-being of residents and listened to their concerns about various Town issues, including the use of bonds. To create the FY 2020 budget, some difficult decisions were made. He hopes the Council will consider legislation to help mitigate the impact of tax increases on seniors and people with fixed incomes. He shared information about the State of Maryland's homeowner's tax credit program aimed at residents earning less than \$60,000 per year. Those eligible must apply by September 1 to the state program every year. Applications can be submitted online at www.taxcredit.sdat.maryland.gov and paper applications will be made available at the Town office.

6. Department Reports

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Rodriguez said with the end of the fiscal year, her department will continue to process payments until July 31 but encouraged all councilmembers, staff and committees to submit any pending FY 2019 bills to her as soon as possible. The Town also received a substantial quarterly income tax payment from the State's Comptroller's Office.

Administration: TM Broadbent said Town offices will be closed this Friday due to a staff retreat. It is intended to promote cooperation among staff, reflect on the accomplishments of the last year and prepare for the new demands of the coming year. The retreat will be guided by an experienced facilitator and is paid from rebates from the Town's insurance companies for good employee claims ratings. The same money also paid for new picnic tables that have been installed next to the Town office. The Department is also going through the budget to distill the projects that were funded for Council's approval to include the purchase of a new trash truck and new recycling Toters.

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, asked why an old Saturn that was to be replaced by the new hybrid vehicle is still sitting in the parking lot and costing the Town money for maintenance. He also noted that the hybrid vehicle was not in parking lot over the 4th of July weekend and hence not available for staff to use if needed.

TM Broadbent replied the Saturn will be auctioned off with several other old vehicles the Town plans to surplus. The Ford hybrid is her take-home vehicle, per Council decision, because she is on call 24 hours seven days a week.

Code Compliance: TM Broadbent introduced Hollyce Goodwin as the new Code Compliance Director. She started in her full-time capacity two days ago. She will deal with regular seasonal code issues, such as tall grass violations or construction without a permit as well as making sure that the electronic code management system Comcate is used to its full potential. The Department will also work on standardizing code letters and notices for eventual integration into Comcate.

Director Goodwin thanked the Town for giving her the opportunity to serve full-time as the Code Director and she is looking to working with the Council and staff going forward. CM Osmond said the Town is still looking to fill a full-time code inspector position and make improvements to the code as needed. TM Broadbent said she plans to bring the International Property Maintenance Code before the Council for discussion and adoption and put out guidance brochures on various code matters.

Park, Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs: CM Dewey reiterated the Treasurer's request for civic organizations to submit any outstanding receipts for expenses and announced upcoming events: The Volunteer Appreciation dinner on June 17 and a Lake Artemesia Concert featuring the Jan Knutson Trio on June

18. The Council is considering establishing a Walkable, Bikeable Berwyn Heights Task Force to be discussed at the next worksession. Interested residents are encouraged to contact her.

Public Works: Public Works Director Hall reported that the recycling Toters have been ordered and should be here within 5 to 6 weeks. He has interviewed applicants for a vacant position of a Class B driver and made an offer. The streetsweeper will be in Town from July 29 to August 2 and residents are requested to park off the street where possible. In response to questions, Director Hall said he is still seeking to fill a part-time position, and for the leaf season has the option of hiring temporary employees thanks to the additional funding in the FY 2020 budget. The Department has purchased a portable water tank that can be mounted on trucks and can be used to water trees and other purposes.

Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department: Matthew Huddle gave the report for the BHVFD. Work continues on the truck bays but should be done within a couple of weeks. The ladder truck is back from the repair shop and had 104 runs, the rescue squad 151, and the ambulance 247. BHVFD is also working on improving its communications and will use social media to keep residents informed about incidents and all things volunteer fire department.

Police Department: Chief Antolik reported that he and Detective Unger have done research on hybrid police vehicles and are in the process of receiving bids. Detective Unger gave the police activities report for June. There were 3 Part I offenses, one less than the 5-year average. Year to date there were 30 Part I offenses as opposed to the 5-year average of 28. The Police also issued 185 state and municipal infractions and 115 speed camera tickets.

Detective Unger further reported that an arrest has been made regarding the homicide victim found at Lake Artemesia in March. The suspect is a confirmed gang member who was a resident in Greenbelt. Greenbelt Police played a pivotal role in helping identify the suspect and getting him charged. Lastly, Detective Unger invited everyone to come out for National Night Out on August 6, 6:00 p.m. Many fun activities are planned. Chief Antolik added this year's theme is 'diversity & inclusion.' On August 21, the Police will hold a Seniors appreciation lunch for which a proclamation is being prepared. He hopes Councilmembers and TM Broadbent will be able to come.

In response to questions, Chief Antolik

and Detective Unger said that a speed monitor will be ordered soon. Bicyclists who run stop signs are generally not ticketed. BHPD prefers to advise them that the same laws applying to vehicles apply to bicyclists because many don't seem to know that. Many violators are children and youth. Officer Rufino will be trained to be bike patrol officer and will focus on bicyclists. She will continue to investigate animal complaints and work with the County to enforce them.

7. Committee Reports

Education Advisory Committee: CM Dewey announced the BHEAC is still actively recruiting members and working to connect with the PTA as well as with County officials and the school board. The next meeting is on July 29 and will focus on setting priorities for the Committee. All are welcome to attend.

Green Team: CM Dewey said the next Town cleanup is on July 20 at 10 am. There has been an increase in participation which necessitated a clarification of rules. Anyone under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or other adult, and anyone between 16 and 18 must come with a parent or a 'buddy.' The Committee is planning activities related to 'Trees of Distinction' and for the first Saturday in October an event focused on pets. This will include a vaccination and micro-chipping clinic and provide information on pet care and pet waste.

In response to CM Dewey, TM Broadbent said that Pepco is doing a vegetation maintenance project, including removal of several in the back of the Town Center. Pepco will also plant some new trees to replace some were replanted after the last maintenance project but died. She hopes to receive recommendations on where new trees should be planted. Volunteers are wanted to act as stewards for newly planted trees.

CM Dewey further reported the Shade Tree Board is focusing on educating residents about removing ivy from trees, which can kill them if left unchecked. There is also a concern about ivy growing on the trees along Edmonston Road on SHA property, making maintenance a difficult issue.

TM Broadbent said the Town is maintaining some of that area cutting back brush and grass. In response to citizen questions, she said any trees Pepco will plant on private property will be in the Town right-of-way and should be limited to trees that do not grow so tall as to interfere with power lines. She would also be willing to have the Town plant trees as far as 20' from the curb for property owners who desire them and agree to care for them.

This would help restore the tree canopy reduced by Pepco's last vegetation management project.

Historical Committee: Clerk Harper reported that the Historical Committee has received a playback device that will be installed in the museum in the coming weeks, and is planning its November 10 celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Berwyn Heights Company. On National Night Out, the BHHHC will make available a new refrigerator magnet of a historic home for those who like to collect them.

Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness: There was no report.

Recreation Council: Recreation Council representative Angela Wolfinger reported that the Jan Knutson Trio will perform at Lake Artemesia next Thursday, or in the Town Center if it rains. The Recreation Council will have a table at National Night Out and distribute handouts and have a suggestion box. The August meeting would fall on the same date and has been moved to July 30, 7:30 p.m. On August 29, 5 pm, the Berwyn Heights All Stars will conclude the summer concert series at Lake Artemesia. In response to CM Sweep, Ms. Wolfinger said a new resident attended the last meeting and proposed to try starting a film club. The idea is to watch a movie and then discuss it. Invitations have been posted on various social media.

8. Unfinished Business
There was none.

9. New Business
Ordinance 179 - 1st Reading & Introduction of Comprehensive Fee & Fine Schedule. TM Broadbent explained this Ordinance combines all fee and fine schedules attached or embedded in various ordinances into one document but does not change any fee or fine amounts. The purpose is two-fold: 1) to make it easier for people to find fees and fines; and 2) to revise the comprehensive schedule as part of the annual budget process. In conjunction with the annual review of fees and fines, the ordinance mandates that a public hearing be held to provide an opportunity for comments. The Ordinance is accompanied by resolution that sets forth the fees and fines, but it requires no action tonight.

CM Sweep moved to introduce Ordinance 179. CM Dewey seconded. Councilmembers commented that it makes sense to have all fees in one easy to find document. The motion passed 4 to 0.

10. Citizen Comments
Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, commented he

thinks English Ivy is not a problem as long as it taken care of and that there is no need for passing any legislation.

Angie Wolfinger asked whether there are any updates from Park & Planning on Sports Park. CM Dewey replied that the Town sent a letter to M-NCPPC about constructing a dog park at the location of the current T-ball field and expressing interest in a full-sized soccer field instead of triple purpose soccer, baseball field and hockey rink. TM Broadbent added she has spoken with an M-NCPPC planner who advised her to apply for a state grant to help fund the dog park, which can cost between \$100,000 to \$150,000, and make it a showcase for environmental management best practices.

There ensued a general public discussion about how the Town's sports fields are used, including removing the hockey rink and baseball diamond for a full-sized soccer field, retaining a baseball field, and adding a canopy at Sports Park for concerts..

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Worksession July 15, 2019

Present were Mayor Stephen Isler, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Ethan Sweep, and Jeffrey Jay Osmond. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Clerk Kerstin Harper and citizens.

1. Announcements
Discussion of a variance for 5805 Berwyn Road was postponed because the owner is revising his application.

2. Discussion Items
Walkable, Bikeable Berwyn Heights Task Force (WBBH): CM Dewey explained that the Council was approached by a resident last month who wanted to develop a plan to make Berwyn Heights more pedestrian and bicycle friendly. The impetus comes in part from the impending redevelopment of Beltway Plaza which is likely to bring changes to the adjacent neighborhoods. Five people have expressed an interested in participating in the project.

CM Dewey proposed to establish a task force based on the Quality of Life Commission model. The task force would comprise 10-12 residents to meet for a period of several months to study the issues and options before making recommendations to the Council. Task force meetings might proceed as follows:

Meeting 1: identification of issues related to the WBBH, requests for data, information and best practices.

Meeting 2: Presentation of research conducted by members and potentially outside experts; an opportunity for residents to offer comments, including written testimony.

Meeting 3: deliberation on the issues presented and development of recommendations.

CM Dewey said, as part of its charge, the task force should obtain a broad sampling of opinions that reflect the diversity of the community, to research existing transportation plans, and to involve all stakeholders in formulating a plan. The Council briefly discussed the parameters of the task force and agreed to formally establish it when a sufficient number of volunteers have signed up.

Resident survey: CM Dewey proposed to conduct a methodologically rigorous and representative survey of all residents by randomly sampling 100 households and ask a range of issues of interest to the Town. For example, currently the Council is interested in improving community outreach with respect to the 2020 Census and having information on how to best communicate with residents would help. The Council often hears from one group or several groups about a particular topic but can't be sure that their opinion is representative of the entire community.

A survey might probe opinions and preferences on topics such as:

- How residents prefer to get information from the Town;
- What activities and programs should be offered;
- Safety of walking and biking in Town;
- Schools and educational programs.

CM Dewey further proposed to offer incentives to the selected 100 households to improve response rates, either in the form of a \$5-\$10 reward for each participant or by entry into a raffle for a larger cash prize. The sample size of 100 households seems to her to be a good balance between a cost effective yet representative survey. She estimates the cost of the incentives to be around \$200 and the cost of mailing the survey around \$500. As a first step, the Council would draft a list of questions about topics in which it is interested, which could be supplemented by questions from department directors and Town organizations.

There ensued a discussion about survey methodology and how best to ensure that the survey is representative and valid. Citizens who were present asked a number of questions about sample size, sur-

vey questions, language barriers and alternative ways to conduct the survey.

CM Sweep said he supports doing a survey but would insist on a protocol that spells out how the survey is done and a time frame. The other Councilmembers agreed and proposed to start working out the procedural details and set a budget at the 2nd worksession in August. A set of questions would be compiled at a later worksession. TM Broadbent said the Council also needs to find a good data set from which to select respondents, which could be a list of taxpayers.

Dog park: CM Sweep explained that the Town reached out to Park & Planning (M-NCPPC) about constructing a dog park in Berwyn Heights. Park & Planning responded that it could probably build the dog park but that the Town would have to maintain it. Park & Planning provided a packet of information that spells out what the agency would provide and what the Town would provide, as well as a sample agreement, dog park rules and provisions for establishing a volunteer group to manage the dog park. The M-NCPPC framework calls for the volunteer group to have at least 20 adult members, a written constitution and bylaws, a list of officers with contact information, meetings in public places and a certificate of insurance to be submitted annually.

CM Dewey said the structure of the volunteer group is probably be flexible. She thinks the first question to be answered about a dog park should be 'what needs to happen to make it safe.' This would require that there be enough volunteers to ensure proper oversight, to keep track of those who are frequenting the park and to enforce the rules. A large share of the maintenance would likely be done by Town staff because the pool of volunteers is limited. TM Broadbent clarified that staff could help with maintenance but not with monitoring users.

Leslie Wolfinger, Ruatan Street, commented she thinks the proposed location of the dog park next to Indian Creek playground is problematic because children using the playground may want to play with dogs that may or may not have their latest shots. It is asking a lot of volunteers to make sure a dog park is safe. Councilmembers replied a dog registration requirement could help ensure that dogs using the park are licensed and vaccinated. There ensued discussion of what it would take to run a safe and orderly park as well as the support a dog park has among the residents.

The Council agreed on the following next steps:

- A question about support for a dog park should be included in the opinion survey.
- Supporters of the dog park are encouraged to join the Facebook group 'Friends of the Dog Park.'
- Pet owners could be polled about the dog park at an October 5 Green Team event;
- An agreement with M-NCPPC clearly delineating responsibilities should be drafted;
- Dog park funding through Program Open Space should be explored.

Four Cities agenda items: Mayor Isler said a draft agenda is provided in the packet and asked if Council has any additional items. He added a presentation by District 2 School Board Representative Joshua Thomas, with whom he recently met. Mr. Thomas affirmed his desire to improve communications with constituents and asked the Town Council to reach out to him with any concerns. He also welcomes talking with the Educational Advisory Committee. CM Osmond suggested adding a discussion of volunteerism and citizen engagement strategies. The Council discussed whether the Four Cities meeting is the right venue to discuss this topic as well as the format of Four Cities meetings generally. The volunteerism item was not added to the agenda.

Mid-month e-newsletter: Mayor Isler said the Council agreed to suspend publication of the e-newsletter during the summer months.

3. Minutes

CM Osmond moved and CM Dewey seconded to approve the June 17 worksession minutes. The motion passed 4-0-1, with CM Sweep abstaining. CM Osmond moved and CM Dewey seconded to approve the July 1 worksession minutes. The motion passed 4-0-1, with Mayor Isler abstaining.

4. Department Reports

Mayor Isler said he met with the Chief after returning from his vacation and has caught up on public safety news. MPT Papanikolas had no report. CM Sweep reported that the street sweeper will be in Town the week of July 29; residents are requested to park in their driveways were possible.

CM Dewey announced that the Walkable, Bikeable Berwyn Heights Task Force is seeking 4-5 more members. All residents regardless of perspective are welcome to join. Town organizations must submit any reimbursement requests by the end of July to be reimbursed. Residents are reminded they need to obtain a permit when placing storage containers (PODs)

on a property. The Town is now active on various social media platforms, including Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. It is a great way for residents to be informed about all things Berwyn Heights.

TM Broadbent reported that she is working on legislation pertaining to an investment policy mandated by the State of Maryland, as well as several resolutions authorizing purchases of capital items approved in the FY 2020 budget. She plans to bring these before the Council at the next worksession.

6. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the Council calendar. No changes were made.

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, requested a clarification on the origins of an Administration Department take-home car program, which heretofore was limited to police officers. He was informed that the Council approved a take home vehicle for the Town Manager as part of her contract. This policy applies to all senior staff who are on call 24 hours, 7 days a week. The Council determined that a take-home vehicle would be less expensive than providing a travel allowance for TM Broadbent's commute.

CM Osmond said a more generous compensation packet for the Town Manager was instituted with the adoption of a Town Manager form of government, which he thinks provides better services for residents. In this case, it enables the Town to employ a manager with 30 years of experience in local government who is available after hours.

Mike Attick, 62nd Avenue, commented that many things are being done now without the citizens being told and that Councilmembers seem to prefer to deal with a favorite group rather than the entire Town. Mayor Isler begged to differ. He said this Council has made a concerted effort to be transparent and will talk to anyone who reaches out to them. This has been confirmed by many residents who have said this Council is more open and transparent than previous Councils. This Council has also responded to residents' requests to provide more opportunities for comment at worksessions and at Town meetings. Legislation has been amended in response to citizen concerns, and citizens can request to be added to a worksession agenda for an in-depth discussion of a topic of concern.

7. Citizens Discussion

Phil Ventura said he hopes the Council understands that his questions were intended to learn how the Administration Department's vehicle is used because it was not publicly explained before. He



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Recent Working Incidents

July 19— Rescue Squad 14 and surrounding units responded to the Capital Beltway in the area of Annapolis Rd for the personal injury accident with entrapment. Units arrived to find a box truck off the road with the driver pinned. The crew stabilized the vehicle before displacing the drivers door and the dash to extricate the priority patient.

Aug 2— At around 830am, BHVFD and surrounding Volunteer stations were alerted for a House Fire in the 8500Blk of 60th Ave in Berwyn Heights. Ladder Truck 14, Rescue Squad 14, and Ambulance 14 arrived to find heavy fire showing from a house with reports of someone trapped inside. The volunteer crew from BHVFD Squad 14 deployed to locate and remove the trapped victim to be evaluated by the Ambulance, while the Truck crew searched the remainder of the house and opened up for the engine companies. The fire was quickly brought under control, and the origin is under investigation by the County Fire Marshall's Office. *A reminder to all residents to check your smoke alarms!*

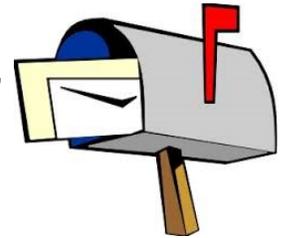
BHVFD Participates in #NNO

Thank you to the Town of Berywn Heights and Berwyn Heights Police Dept for inviting us to National Night Out 2019! We had a blast interacting with Town residents during this night out against crime!



Annual Fund Drive

Keep an eye out for the Berwyn Heights VFD's Annual Fund Drive mailer packet! This year we are raising funds to help cover the cost of a 2019 Heavy Duty Rescue Squad being built, as well as the purchase of a new Ambulance in the next year. All residents in Berwyn Heights, College Park Estates, Westchester Park, and now Greenbelt Station will be getting a packet by mail by the end of the September. Just a reminded BHVFD does NOT go door to door anymore or solicit by phone. Thanks in advance for your generous support!!!



Looking to donate online? BHVFD has set up a PayPal account to accept online donations:

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or visit www.BHVFD14.org



BHVFD Call Volume: July 2019	
Rescue Squads:	111
Ladder Truck:	88
Technical Rescue Support Unit:	2
Ambulance:	183
Total Runs	384



Historical Committee

Mark your calendars

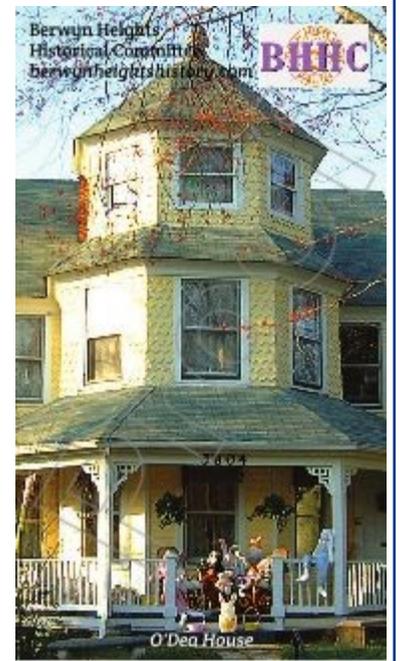
Fall Reception - NOV 10 BH Company Centennial

Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Berwyn Heights Company with us. Next to our customary offerings of wine & hors d'oeuvres, it will feature:

- ◆ Slideshow about the Berwyn Heights Company and its leaders.
- ◆ Historic marker dedication.
- ◆ Berwyn Heights Company brochure.
- ◆ Walk to Benson House, former location of Berwyn Heights Company office.

New Fridge Magnet

On National Night Out, we had a good time meeting neighbors, discussing our exhibit, handing out brochures and our new magnet depicting the O'Dea House on Ruatan Street. This is only house in Berwyn Heights that is on the National Historic Register and belongs to BHHHC member Chanel Kopecky. Get your magnet in the Town Museum at 5700 Berwyn Road, or at our events.



Next Meeting - SEP 25, 7:30 pm - G. Love Room: Election of Officers

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Events and whats Happening in September.....

- Sept 1-2 Greenbelt Labor Day Festival
- Sept 3rd- School Starts
- Sept 5 thru 8 Prince Georges County Fair
- Sept 21 H Street Festival Wash DC
- Sept 21 Md Wine Festival Westminster MD
- Sept 21 Arts and Ales Festival Hyattsville

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- SOLD 6201 Seminole Pl 5 BR 2 BA rambler.....\$325,000
- RENTED 5605 Goucher Dr 4 BR 3 BA cape.....\$2490 mo
- NEW LISTING 8501 Paxton Ct 2/3 BR 1.5 BA.....\$319,900
- NEW LISTING 7316 A Radcliffe Dr 5 BR 3.5 BA.....\$609,900



Berwyn Heights Elementary School PTA

First Day Breakfast for Parents

Tuesday, September 3, 9-10am

Drop off your child and then come socialize with other BHES parents while you enjoy a cup of coffee. If weather is good, we'll gather in the courtyard in front of the school. Come say hi!



Back to School Night

Tuesday, September 10

This event is sponsored by the school and is focused on academics. Learn about the upcoming school year from the principal and from your child's teachers.



Hello Husky Night

Friday, September 20, 6

This is a fun community event held in the school parking lot. Your family is invited to join us for food, music, and games. The PTA will provide hamburgers and hotdogs and you are invited to bring a potluck dish to share.

Join the PTA for the 2019-2020 school year!

The PTA organizes events for the school community and provides support for the students, parents, teachers, and school administration. If everyone helps just a little bit we can make a huge difference in the school!

Meetings *often* are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:45 pm in the school cafeteria. We'll have our first meeting this year on Thursday, October 3. **All are welcome!**



Upcoming Events

September 3, Tuesday

First day of school
First day breakfast for parents

September 10, Tuesday

Back to School Night

September 20, Friday

Hello Husky Night

September 27, Friday

3 Hour Early Dismissal

October 3, Thursday

6:45 pm
First PTA Meeting
Note: changed to Thursday this month

October 25, Friday

Walkathon

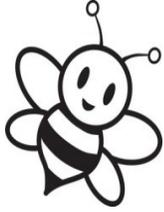


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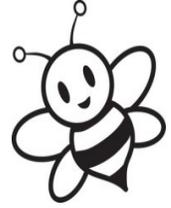
Want to keep up with news for parents at BHES? Join the parents mailing list to get announcements and reminders by text or email.

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Website: www.berwynheightsgreenteam.wordpress.com

Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsGreenTeam

Our next meeting will be **Thursday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m.** at the Town Center
All residents are welcome to attend!



Town Clean-up

Saturday, September 21st
10am – 12pm

Meeting point at the Town Center

REMINDER! The monthly town clean-ups are an opportunity for students to earn SSL hours. The clean-up requires walking through the streets in town to pick up litter, so under 16 needs to come with a parent or adult, & under 18 needs their parent permission. Bring your SSL forms!



September is

National Honey Month!

National Honey Month was initiated to promote US beekeeping, the beekeeping industry and honey as a natural and beneficial sweetener.

Celebrate by

- Introduce honey as an alternative to sugar
- Learn the importance of honeybees
- Plant a fall flowering plant for honeybees

SAVE THE DATES:

Garden Party, September 14th * **Pet Pop-Up**, October 5th * **HalloGreen Celebration** November 2nd

Pet Pop-Up Event!

Come one, come all!

We are gearing up for our pet event for October 5th! Here is a sneak preview of some of the event. More information in the October Bulletin!
Starting at 9:30 with

- PGSPCA: low-cost microchip and vaccine clinic (9:30-11:30)
- Pet Adoption Information
- Training Resources
- Pet costume event
- Lunch



See the October Bulletin for more!

It's A Party...

and you are invited!

The Community Garden invites you to celebrate it's 6th year of providing quality garden lots to our community. This is a potluck party! Come join us at the Community Garden and bring your favorite dish to share.

Date: September 14th

Time: 2:00 to 4:00

Where: Between 58th Ave. and 59th Ave.

(about 2 blocks behind 7/11.)



Green Tip for September: Fall is the best time of year to plant a tree. The fall rains help the trees and shrubs establish their root systems. When the air temperatures are cooler than the soil, new root growth is encouraged without new top growth. The result is a stronger, better developed root system for the next spring when the plant begins to grow.

Benefits: They give us benefits in our community, personally, socially, and environmentally. They even provide a benefit economically...in property value.

For much more information, go to <https://bit.ly/2ohxoWl>

Want to volunteer at any events? Please email us at bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com

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September 2	Betty McGaffrey
September 5	Doris Lehman
September 11	Linda Sinclair
September 13	Carol Gill
September 18	Richard Ahrens
September 22	Ron Hand
September 23	Jeanette Enderson
September 24	John Raum

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

BINGO — Every Tuesday at 12:30 P.M..

WII BOWLING — Every Wednesday at 10:30 A.M. League play begins in mid September.

GAME NIGHT — Every Thursday at 7:00 P.M.

SELF DEFENSE COURSE — Every Thursday at 12:00 Noon, upstairs in the Senior Center

POTLUCK & MOVIE — 2nd Saturday at 5:00 P.M. (September 14).

MEETINGS — Second and Fourth Tuesday at 11:00 A.M. The Fourth Tuesday is also a Pot Luck.

ARTS AND CRAFTS — Last Friday at 12:00 Noon (September 27).

HAPPENINGS

REDSKIN FOOTBALL— Come watch the games and share a pot luck lunch. We will watch any 1:00—4:00 P.M. game.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL—September 19, 6:30 P. M., upstairs above Senior Ctr.

BREAKFAST at the Silver Diner also on tap. Tentatively scheduled for September 14.

Call the Senior Center for more information.

POTLUCK



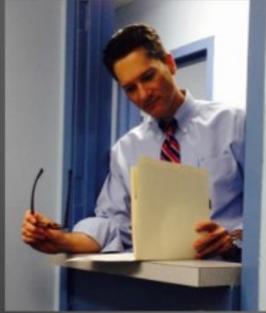
Now that Autumn is here, come to the Senior Center. Get a cool soda or bottle of water and, of course, something to eat. You can always count on something to eat when you are with the Seniors!

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JULY INCIDENTS

Monday July 1, 2019 at 4:25 pm, 'WARRANT SERVICE'

Cpl. P. Roberson stopped a suspicious subject in the 6100 block of Seminole Street., who was later identified as Mr. Timothy Windsor, a 44 Y/O, W/M. The subject had an opened warrant and he was subsequently arrested.

Monday July 1, 2019 at 8:20 pm, 'FRAUD'

Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the 6200 block of Seminole Street for a fraud report. A resident reported that he received correspondence from Best Buy Inc informing him that someone had attempted to use his name and personal information to open a credit line and make a purchase. This incident reportedly occurred at the Laurel MD store June 18 2019. The attempt was unsuccessful.

Thursday July 4, 2019 at 5:45 am, 'ARMED ROBBERY'

Officers responded to the 7-11 located at 8900 Edmonston Road for a reported commercial armed robbery. Victim 1 advised that the establishment was robbed by three unknown suspects at gunpoint. Victim 2 advised he was working behind the register when suspect #1 entered the establishment and pointed a grey revolver at him, demanding that he open the register. Suspect #3 told victim #1 not to move and to open the remaining cash registers. Victim #1, fearing for her safety, complied with the suspect's demands. Suspect #3 went behind the counter and stole approximately \$200 in store funds, along with 10 packs of Newport cigarettes. Suspect #1 then stole victim #3's wallet containing misc. debit cards and \$110. All three suspects fled the establishment into an older style grey sedan which was driven by suspect #4. **Suspect 1:** B/M, 20's, 5'8-5'10, 190-200, black shirt, blue jeans, tan colored baseball hat. **Suspect 2:** B/M, 20's, 5'7-5'8, 180-190, white shirt, gray pants, tan bucket hat. **Suspect 3:** B/M, 20's, 6'1-6'2, 160-170, white shirt, blue jeans, dark colored backpack (recovered on-scene). **Suspect 4:** Driver of getaway vehicle, no physical description obtained.

Thursday July 4, 2019 at 3:50 pm, 'THEFT'

Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the T-Mobile for a report of theft. The manager of T Mobile phone store, Hugo Escobar, reports that a subject came into the store, removed a phone from the counter and

fled. The suspect was in the store while another customer was in the process of purchasing a phone. When a sales clerk placed the phone on the counter the suspect grabbed it and fled. The manager stated that he locked the stolen phone so it is not programable at this time. **Suspect: 18 Y/O B/M.**

Monday July 8, 2019 at 2:00 am, '1ST DEGREE ASSAULT'

Officers responded to Prince George's Hospital for a report of a stabbing. Victim, who stated that his separated wife, also the suspect, came to his house located in the 6300 block of Pontiac St at approximately 1:00 am to pick up their child, then she decided to stay for the night. The victim stated that while the suspect was sleeping he went through her phone under the suspicion that she was talking to multiple guys. The victim stated that while he was searching the suspect 's phone the suspect woke up and started an argument with him. The victim stated that he threw the suspect's phone on the floor and broke it, at which point the suspect picked up an awl from the night stand next to the bed and stabbed him in the right forearm. The suspect left the premise with the child. The victim went to Doctors Community Hospital, then was transported to PGH by ambulance at 4:01 hours, where he received treatment and was sent on his way.

Monday July 8, 2019 at 3:31 pm, 'THEFT'

Cpl. P. Roberson responded to Staples for a report of theft. The victim is an employee at Staples office product store located at 8904 62ND Ave. The victim reports that she placed her wallet inside a locker in the employee's locker room while she was working. The victim did not have a lock on the locker. The locker -room is adjacent to the store's public restrooms and the employee area is separated only by a curtain. An unknown subject entered the employee's area, removed the wallet and left the store. The victim further reports that she received a security text from her credit card carrier / bank, informing her that someone was trying to make a purchase at a Metro pcs store, using her debit card.

Saturday July 13, 2019 at 7:00 pm, 'FOUND BICYCLES'

Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the 5700 block of Nevada Street for found bicycles. A citizen contacted the Berwyn Heights P.D to report that there were two bicycles abandoned in the shrubs at the dead-end of the 5700 block of Nevada ST. The bicycles were recovered for

safe keeping, no indication of owner. The two boy's BMX type bicycles are stored at BHPD H.Q.

Monday July 15, 2019 at 5:15 pm, 'FRAUD'

The victim responded to the Berwyn Heights Police Department to report that she was a victim of fraud. The she reports that she met a person on social media (Instagram) offering loans. She states that the person she met would give her a check for \$4,800 to deposit in her account if the victim would give her \$1,500 dollars and pay the rest as she could. The victim met with a subject she describes as a mixed-race male with green eyes and received a check for \$4,800. The victim deposited the check at the Sun Trust bank at 5600 Greenbelt RD on 7/05/2019. Three days later on 7/08/2019 the victim reports that she withdrew \$3,000 dollars. The victim met with the same subject in Washington D.C and gave him \$1,500 in cash. She did not get his name or tag #; only that he was driving an Infinity/ gray. The bank later informed the victim that the check was returned marked "insufficient funds."

Tuesday July 16, 2019 at 11:00 am, 'COMMUNITY REACH OUT'

Pfc. C. Rufino, along with the police interns and PSA walked from door-to-door in Town, placing door hangers about community outreach for our Latin Hispanic community.

Tuesday July 16, 2019 at 6:35 pm, 'THREATS'

Cpl. J. Ignowski responded to the 8900 block of 56th Avenue for a threats complaint. Victim reported that at 2:00 P.M. he received a series of text messages on his cell phone from a school-mate. Suspect was discouraging the victim from contacting (calling) a girl. Text message reportedly from the suspect: "Don't call Kimberly. I am going to break all of your windows. I am going to take care of you with all my MS. people at Parkdale H.S."

Wednesday July 17, 2019 at 1:24 pm, 'THEFT'

Pfc. C. Rufino responded to T-Mobile for a theft report. Store manager stated that on 7/16/2019 at approximately 16:20 hours a black male suspect described as approximately 6'4 tall, thin built, mid 20's, wearing a cap, entered the T-Mobile. The suspect then proceeded to rip an iPhone xs 64G grey in color off the Demo Table that was adjacent to the entrance door and ran out of the store. The manager working the night shift and

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he did not alert the police of the theft.

Wednesday July 17, 2019 at 3:44 pm, 'THEFT'

On 7/17/2019 at approximately 9:00 hours a Town resident arrived at the Berwyn Heights Police Station to report a bicycle stolen from his home located at 8420 block of 57th Ave. The bicycle is white in color and it has spikes (noise makers) that are rainbow color.

Thursday July 18, 2019 at 11:00 am, 'COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETING'

BHPD, Code Department and DPW conducted a meeting to launch their community outreach to our Town residents targeting minority and the Hispanic community.

Saturday July 20, 2019 at 8:16 pm, 'UTTERING'

Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the 6000 block of Berwyn Road for a report of a check that has been altered and cashed. The victim reports that she was considering renting an apartment in Greenbelt MD. The victim obtained a money order from the U.S Postal Service (25897994706) in the amount of \$250 to secure the property. The money order was made out to Capitol Square Apartments, Brentwood MD and mailed on or about 6/15/2019. The leasing agent the victim was working with was a 30 Y/O B/M. The victim decided not to rent the apartment and moved instead to the Berwyn Heights address. The victim contacted the leasing consultant and informed him that she had made different living arrangements and wanted her deposit back. The leasing consultant informed her that he had never received her check. The victim made contact with the Postal Service. They traced the money order and reported to the victim that the money order was deposited into an account of the suspect and the original payee Capitol Square Apt., was written over. The victim contacted the leasing company and they denied involvement. Investigation continues.

Thursday July 25, 2019 at 10:00 am, 'POLICE ACADEMY'

Lt. D. Unger, Cpl. S. Krouse, Pfc. C. Rufino and the Chief of Police visited the Prince George's County Municipal Police Academy to present the student officers with a brief history of the Town of Berwyn Heights and the police department's mission and vision.

Thursday July 25, 2019 at 1:00 pm, 'SUSPICIOUS PERSON'

A suspicious person entered a residence and demanded to use a telephone. He was advised to leave by the resident and he departed. The suspicious person is known to the BHPD.

Saturday July 27, 2019 at 1:15 am, 'SUSPICIOUS SUBJECTS'

While on routine patrol, Cpl. J. Ignowski observed a white male (F-1) wearing a t-shirt and shorts standing between temporary classroom buildings and the main building on the Berwyn Heights Elementary School campus. The subject was trespassing in the secure area of the school campus because of the late hour and he was not dressed for maintenance duty. The subject fled as soon as he saw the marked patrol car. At that moment, another white male (F-2) emerged out of the darkness wearing a long sleeve t-shirt, and he fled with the first male. The officer exited his car to chase the two men as they jumped fences at a tot-lot playground and ran down a hill into the ball playing field east of the school. Simultaneously, as the officer ran by classroom windows, a black male (F-3) leaped from the roof of the school, onto a small lawn and fled north around the corner of the school where there are stairs to Seminole Street. The officer tried to locate the two white males as he did not see them climb the chain link fence to come out of the field. While the was outside of the fence he saw a second black male (F-4) jump from the roof onto a picnic table below (at the tot-lot) and flee north, basically right toward the officer. At this time, a helicopter (Air-1) began to circle overhead. The air crew advised the roof is clear, but their equipment did not detect persons in the ball field. At 2:00 hours Cpl. Ignowski notified School Security Officer of this incident and requested that he request an inspection of vents and equipment on the school's roof. **Suspects:** F-1 white male, 30 y.o., 6' 1" brown hair, black t-shirt, black shorts, black sports-type shoes. F-2 white male, 24 y.o., 5'10", brown hair, gray long-sleeve t-shirt unknown writing front, dark trousers, nfd. F-3 black male, 22 y.o., short brown hair, black short sleeve t-shirt, black trousers, nfd (jumped from roof). F-4 black male, 25 y.o. stocky, shirt & long pants nfd (jumped from roof).

Sunday July 27, 2019 at 6:00 pm, 'WARRANT SERVICE'

Cpl. W. Duck conducted a traffic violation and found the driver had an open traffic fail to appear warrant through Prince George's County. Mitchell E. Flanders, 24 Y/O, B/M of Windsor Mill, MD was placed in custody and taken for processing.

Sunday July 27, 2019 at 6:45 pm, 'THEFT'

Cpl. W. Duck responded to the T-Mobile on 62nd Avenue for a report of theft. An unknown suspects entered the T-Mobile.

Once inside one of the suspects removed the listed property from the display, then both suspects fled the T-Mobile store on foot. The area was canvassed for suspects and additional information with negative results. **Suspects:** 2 black males in their 20's.

Sunday July 28, 2019 at 9:15 pm, 'HIT AND RUN'

Cpl. W. Duck responded to the 8500 block of Cunningham Drive for a report of a hit and run. Victim reports that while she was in her home she heard a loud crash outside. When she went to investigate, she found that an unknown suspect (s) or vehicle had hit her parked vehicle and damaged it and fled.

Homicide = 00 | Rape = 00 | Robbery = 01 | Assault = 01 | Burglary = 00 | Larceny/Theft = 05 | Stolen Auto = 00

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STATE	33
TOWN	90
WARNINGS	33
SERO	13
TOTAL	169

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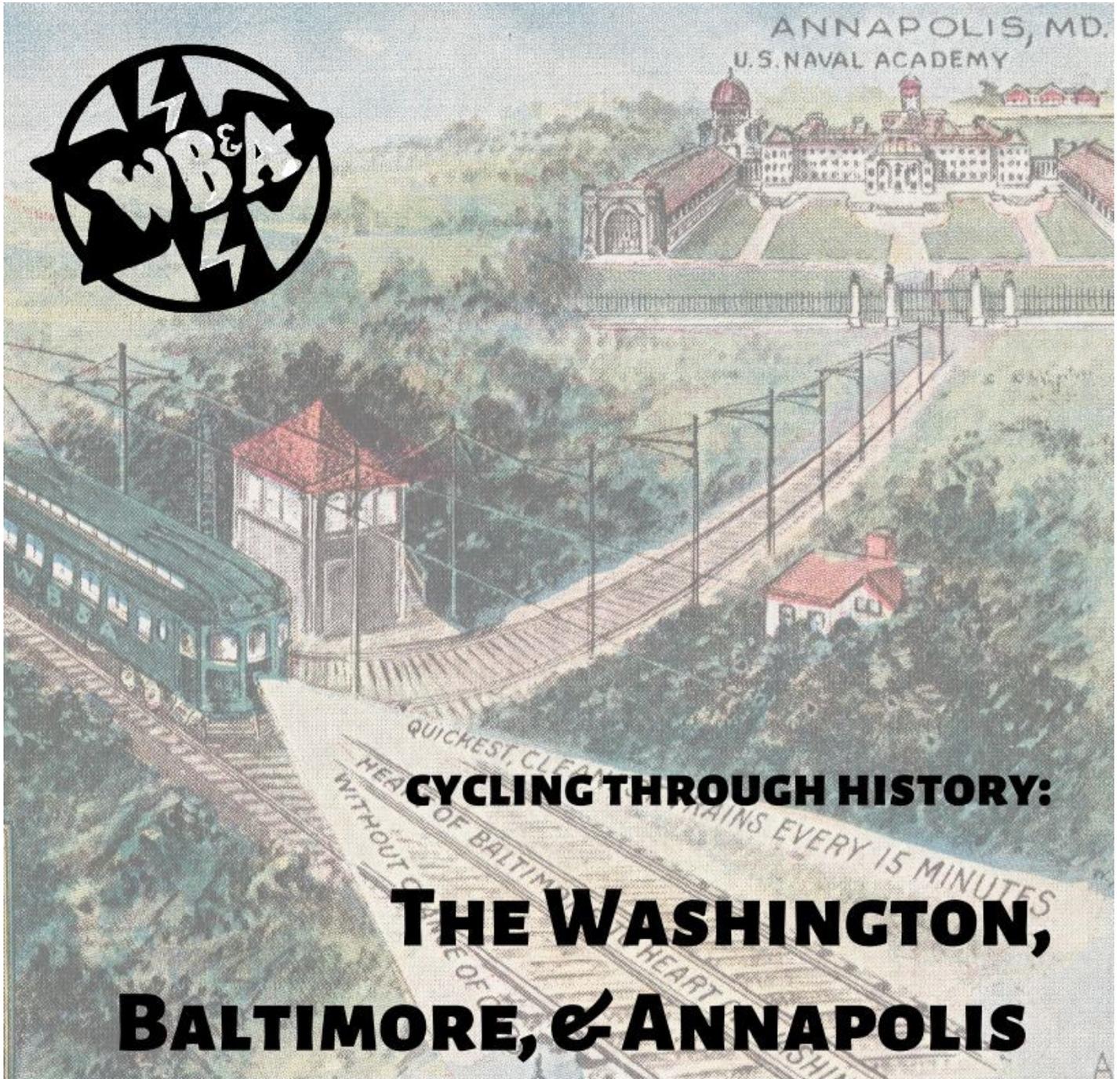
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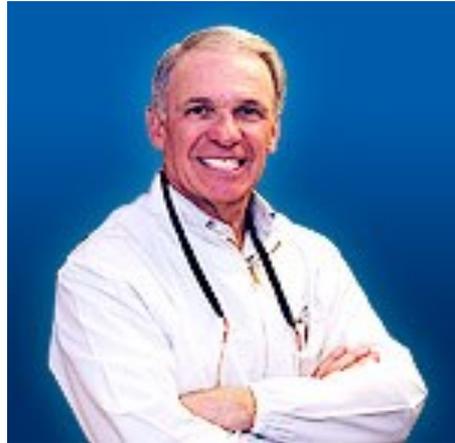
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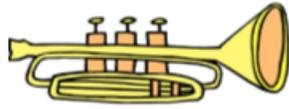
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U12
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Semi-finals

U15 Mid
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U16
BBSL
Champs

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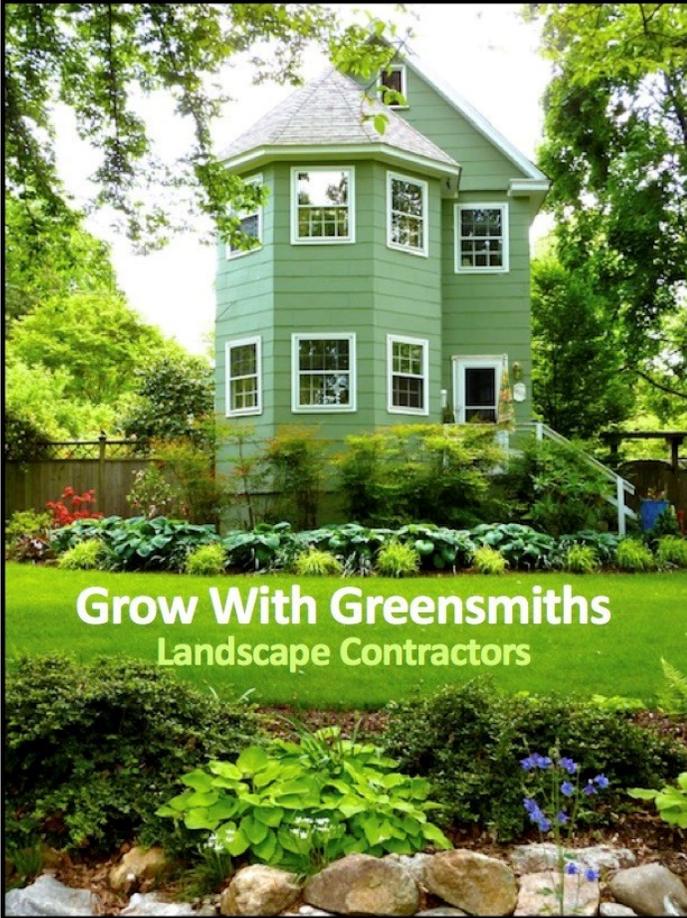
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The annual fee for a rental license is **\$300**. Renting without a license may result in an immediate **\$400** fine.

If you have questions whether you need a rental license, please contact the Town's Code Compliance Department at 301-513-9331 or email code@berwynheightsmd.gov.

Rental licenses are available in the Town office, 5700 Berwyn Road or online at www.berwynheightsmd.gov/code-compliance-department.

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Email: publicworks@berwynheightsmd.gov
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